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# THE BULLETIN



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## CALENDAR

**Monday, September 11 at 5:30:** Talking Shop With... *William Attwood*. President and publisher of *NEWSDAY* discusses birth pangs of Sunday edition & rumor that



William Attwood

his Long Island paper will invade New York afternoon field. No admission charge, but reservations, please, to Mary Novick, 581-8700.

**Tuesday, September 12 at 5:30:** Board of Governors meeting in Edward R. Murrow Foundation library. Previously scheduled for Sept. 11. Date changed so as not to conflict with Attwood session.

**Friday, September 22, 5:30-7:30:** Overseas Jazz Club launches third season of twilight concerts with octet of young and veteran performers.

## Great News Wall Tumbles

Leading the long news march to Peking were *Wes Gallagher* and the AP, with an announcement July 31 of an agreement on the exchange of news and photos with Hsinhua, China's news and photo agency. For the past 22 years, no such exchange has existed between any U.S. news organization and the People's Republic. Direct news links ended December 1949 with the departure of the last AP correspondent, Fred Hampson.

The agreement — providing both radio and mail exchanges — was reached in negotiations between top Hsinhua officials and Gallagher, AP president, and Paul Miller, AP chairman. Gallagher, Miller and their

## THREE STAR KITCHEN

Now that the Club is back in the business of operating its own kitchen, the totally new menu is receiving \*\*\* (that's three stars) for variety and lowered prices from the jaded, fast-with-the-critique types who frequent the grill. No more frozen-reconstituted foods. No more plates awash with low-cost starches and low in proteins. No reason in desperation to move higher than the \$1.95 specials — unless you really want to.

None of these boons is achieved with mirrors. Quoting *Matt Bassity*, who has been burning the midnight oil to work the Miracle on 51st Street: "We are pricing items on a cost accounting basis, for the first time in our history. We will neither make money nor by god lose money on food. The savings we effect — by eliminating management salaries and fees — are being passed on to the membership."

Luncheon pays. The dinner hour is slow, with diners numbering from zero to a dozen, and averaging five a night. Unless members turn out in force at sundown, the entire operation may be in jeopardy.

August is a bad month for restaurateurs, of course. With the Club moving into full programming in September, the fine people who are bringing you the current fine food hope that the grill will hum by night as well as by day.

## BOOZE BARGAIN

Happy days are here again. Or at least, two Happy Hours from 5:30 to 7:30 when a member may order two Happy Hour drinks at \$1.50 a pair — less than cost. The cogniscenti stand three deep and even the bar mascot, the inscrutable Owl (I'm Ichibod, just try to fly me!) seems happier.

So, if you haven't made the scene, by all means drop by and bring friends, preferably thirsty, well-heeled types.

group visited Peking and other Chinese cities as guests of Hsinhua.

On August 18 UPI president Roderick W. Beaton and a party of UPI newsmen crossed the border from Hong Kong with Peking their destination and their mission the signing of a similar agreement. In the group: Wilbur G. Landrey, UPI foreign editor, and Robert Schnitzlein, UPI Asia division newscaptures manager, based in Hong Kong. During their two-week stay as guests of Hsinhua, they planned to write a series of articles on China today.



## Madeline Ross Memorial

by ADELE GUTMAN NATHAN

At the Memorial Service for *Madeline Dane Ross*, it was proposed that those who wished to honor Madeline should send contributions to the Club until some fitting scheme would be worked out to perpetuate the many services which over the years she had contributed. The response was immediate and the money has been put in a separate fund to be used for such a tribute, the plan to be worked out by her intimate friends and associates: Grace Naismith, Julia Edwards, Helen Zotos, Anita Diamant, and Adele Gutman Nathan.

Of Madeline's many services to the Club, the one of which she was justly most proud was her management of the fund that was collected to buy the Clubhouse on 39th Street. Without her work, the Overseas Press Club would still be a lunch club with a couple of offices. She had the vision and the expertise to carry through the drive which made the purchase of our original and beloved Clubhouse on 39th Street a reality. Her devotion to the Club can also be seen in the Library and in the work of many committees.

People who wish to participate in Madeline's memorial who have not yet done so may send contributions to The Madeline Ross Memorial, Overseas Press Club, Time-Life Building, New York, 10020.

### ONE-SHOT CAMERA COURSE

The club has a new Polaroid camera, the latest Model (450) with Focussed Flash, donated by the Polaroid Corporation for coverage of club events. Members who wish to use the camera are invited to attend an instruction session on Wednesday, September 6, at 5 p.m. J. Wendell Sether, of the House Committee, who seems to know about such things, will demonstrate the use of this little marvel.

### OBITUARY

*William A. Berns* died of pneumonia in New York Hospital on August 9. A former governor of the Club, he was 53 years old and lived in Manhattan. Eulogists at the funeral service held August 13 at Frank E. Campbell's were *Bob Considine* and *Will Yolen*, past presidents of the Club, *Mladem Soic*, head of the Yugoslav Tourist Bureau, and *Robert Moses*. Berns had been associated with Moses as vice president in charge of communications for the New York 1964-5 World's Fair.

Earlier, he had produced NBC's "While Berns Roams" and had been m.c. for "Say It With Acting." He had also been associated with ABC, WJZ and WRCA.

Since 1970 he had been associated with his brother, Samuel Berns, in film importing and packaging, and had hosted a recent screening of "The Man" for OPC members.

In World War II Berns served in the Army's radio section in the Pacific. He was aboard *USS Missouri* at the signing of the Japanese surrender. For courage in action, he was awarded the Bronze Star.

## Photo Show:

### Pollack to Port Authority

**Barrett Gallagher's** August photographic exhibit — portraits by Peter Pollack, mainly of artists and writers — drew appreciative comments from OPC members drawn to the faces of Chagall, Covarrubias, Hopper, O'Keeffe, Albright, de Diego, Robert Frost, Karl Shapiro, Alastair Reid and others looking out at them from plastic frames designed by photographer Pollack. Now the property of the Club are eight 4' x 6' burlap-covered Celotex panels on which the show was mounted. The panels were made by *Ralph Baum* of Modernage. He presented two to the Club as gifts and furnished six at cost.

On September 5 Gallagher will be installing a zoom-lens show designed especially for the club's exhibition space by the Port of New York Authority.

### JAZZ BEAT

**GENERATION GAP:** The Overseas Press Club launches its third season of twilight concerts at 5:30 on Friday, Sept. 22 with a unique jazz octet uniting jazz young and jazz veterans. The group features young Arthur Miller on clarinet and sax and Gene Borst on drums and percussion, and veterans Mabel Godwin, piano and vocals, Skeeter Best, guitar, Tommy Bryant, bass, Bobby Branca, cornet, Gordon Grenell, baritone sax, and Frank Orchard, trombone. The octet's OPC appearance previews its Cami Hall concert the following night.

**LE JAZZ HOT:** The OJC is currently exploring the possibilities of a Jazz Jaunt to Europe — London, Paris and the south of France — next spring in May or early June.

Tentative plans call for a 10-day or two-week tour at an approximate cost of \$375, to include transportation, hotel room, private bath, and admission to specially arranged jazz sessions. Early show of hands in order. —*Wilma Dobie*, Chairman

### DUBROVNIK IN OCTOBER

**OPC members** are invited to join the American Newspaper Women's Club on a charter flight to Dubrovnik, leaving Dulles Airport October 24. The \$299 one-week package includes round-trip jet via Overseas National Airways Douglas DC-8, complimentary cocktails and meals aboard same, transfer from airport to the Hotel Libertas, seven nights at the hotel, two meals a day there, half a day sightseeing, tips, tax and baggage handling.

The Libertas is a new 200-room first-class hotel on the Miramar slopes overlooking Lokrum Island and the old town of Dubrovnik. All rooms have balcony and private bath. The hotel offers a casino, open and covered swimming pools, Turkish bath and sauna.

Necessary visas are easily available from the Yugoslav Consulate, 488 Madison Ave., NYC. The U.S. dollar is worth approximately 16 New Dinars. Fall weather on the Adriatic coast is reputed to be mild, the high in the day reaching the 70's. Applications to and further information from Inga Rundvold, A.N.W.C., 1607 22nd St., N.W., Wash., D.C.



## AN INTERIM REPORT FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

The Executive Committee of the Overseas Press Club Board of Governors has been named and includes, in addition to president Jack Raymond, vice president Henry Gellermann, treasurer Louis J. Calderoni, secretary Anita Diamant Berke, Matthew A. R. Bassity, John Noble Wilford and Donald G. Coe. Its first meeting was held July 17. The next is scheduled for September 7.

Formal announcements of committee members will be made at the next Board meeting, September 12.

A new Union contract has been agreed to. What may have been a new record in Club negotiations of any kind was set when the committee, headed by Ralph Major, concluded the agreement in a single session lasting three hours.

Former president John R. Wilhelm, now Dean of the College of Communications at Ohio University, came all the way from Athens, Ohio, to chair a meeting July 10 with former and current officers of the OPC at which plans for a fund-raising campaign for the OPC were discussed. Raymond and Gellermann reported on the Club's current and potential financial position. Further meetings will be held.

Jack Raymond, President

## LETTERS

**Sincerest apologies** to Bruno and all our Members for quoting the Bob Hecox recipe for pink gin. It's gin and bitters, of course - not gin and W'shire sauce. It so happens Bob likes it with sauce. Bruno likes it with bitters. And I, sauce or bitters, despise the damn abomination. De gustibus et coloribus non disputandum.

Incidentally, as soon as I read Bruno's letter to The Bulletin I rushed to Orlando and asked him to fix me a pink gin with sauce. Took a sip and sprinted to the closest rest room, which does not happen to be the men's room. Came back and asked Orlando to save the rest for Bob. Haven't seen Hecox since that evening. Has anyone seen him?

Michael G. Crissan

**Let Old China Hand** Bruno Shaw relax! The OPC bar will not crumble into desuetude because of Worcester sauce in the gin. Our three expert mixologists - Orlando, Matt and Arturo - serve up pink gin according to detailed instructions on page 41 of the Overseas Press Club Round-the-World Bar Guide "Here's How!" now unfortunately out of print. Pink gin (or gin *pahit*, as the late Somerset Maugham and I used to call it during our separate Malayan incarnations) is of course a jigger of gin and three dashes of Angostura. Even ice was often missing in the tropics and a twist of lemon peel was considered heresy. Mike Crissan may have been thinking of pink vodka (vulgarily called B---dy Mary by male chauvinists) which does contain Worcester sauce, Tabasco, and other curious foreign matter anathema to a self-respecting lush.

Larry Blochman



## INTRODUCING NEW OPC MEMBER GRACE HALSELL

**OPCers enjoying** the evening grill this summer had difficulty placing the beautiful New Gal in Town as Grace Halsell, up from Washington for publication by Morrow of her 1972 book, *Black/White Sex* - the Grace Halsell whose 1969 international best-seller, *Soul Sister*, described her six months as a black women in Harlem and Mississippi. The Halsell who turned herself black with pills and sun rays, hair dye and black contact lenses, is, in the words of Mary Crutcher, writing in the Ft. Worth Press (Crutcher and Halsell competed as police reporters in Ft. Worth), "Amazing Grace... radiant peaches and cream skin... large clear blue eyes with long lashes... golden brown hair... and a figure she knows how to drape."

*Soul Sister* has sold half a million copies, has appeared in Japan, Greece, the British Islands, Holland, Finland, Italy and Germany and is up for films.

*Black/White Sex* explores the extent to which sex is the basis of racism, based on the experiences and words of racially mixed couples, North and South. It is to be serialized in Europe by UPI.

Grace, a native Texan, resigned as a White House speech-writer for President Johnson to do *Soul Sister*. She is now abandoning Black/White for Red, and is living with the Navajos in Arizona, preparing for her next book, an account of living as an American Indian.

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## PEOPLE AND PLACES

by GRACE NAISMITH

**MAGAZINES:** Ted Berland piece on noise in July Smithsonian, A decade after he began graduate studies, Ted receives an M.A. in Sociology on Sept. 1 from the University of Chicago.

**JOB:** New OPC member **Renee Mason**, based in British Virgin Islands, recently named UPI stringer for the area...Agatha Young cut the ribbon for opening of Mt. Ascutney Hospital in Hilt Center Vermont...Dr. **Edward L. Bernays** has been reappointed Associate in the University Seminar on Public Communication — from July 1972 to June 30, 1975. College and University Journal has a featured interview with him: "Restoring Confidence in Higher Education Requires: Parity for Public Relations" **Col. Barney Oldfield** of Litton Industries named to the Steering Committee for the second U.S. International Transportation Exposition to be held at Dulles International Airport, Spring of 1974. He attended the Olympic Games in Munich.

**HONOR:** Victor Weybright, publisher and Co-author of *Buffalo Bill and the Wild West*, received an LL.D., *honoris causa*, at the University of Wyoming, August 4, and made the summer commencement address.

**BOOKS:** Ruth Hagy Brod's first book *Ena Twigg: Medium*, published in the U.S. by Hawthorne Books in June is a January selection of the Universe Book Club and will appear in the British Isles the same month, published by W. H. Allen, Ltd. It has also been sold to Manor for the paperback edition (Macfadden-Bartell). Her second book on the Edgar Cayce cures, written with Dr. Harold J. Reilly, has been sold to Macmillan. Agent is *Anita Diamant Berke*....Due in the book-stalls in October is **Dick Hyman's** 13th book, *Cockeyed Americana*, published by the Stephen Greene Press....**Roger Christian** contributed a section to the "Handbook of Modern Office Management and Administrative Services" just published by McGraw Hill...He also has an article on Weir Cook Municipal Airport (Indianapolis) in Au-

gust Airport World...**Ruth Winter's** new book, "A Consumer's Dictionary of Food Additives," just published by Crown, is being syndicated by The New York Times Special Features...**Adi-Kent Thomas Jeffrey** will be researching her fourth book (this one on Dracula) in Turkey, Hungary and Romania this fall. Her latest book, "Ghosts in the Valley," sold 10,000 copies in three months. Adi is the sister of the late Richard Thomas, OPC member for many years. Her father, a Hungarian, raised her on tales of vampires and werewolves and was a detective and murder story writer. "This may account for my ghoulish interests," says this writer in the occult field.



Robert D. Crompton, formerly manager of news service for Atlantic Richfield, named public relations manager, New York office.

## NEW MEMBERS

The Admissions Committee has approved:

*Active Resident*

Helen Marmor, NBC-TV

*Associate Resident*

Roy L. Calvin, Martin Marietta Corp.

*Affiliate*

Madeline Clive

*Affiliate to Associate Non-Resident*

Lawrence Gardiner

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